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**AGENDA**



Thursday, June 22, 2006

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**Purchasing Service Agreement  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements contract with CENTRAL MINERALS CORP., Indialantic, FL, for the purchase of powdered activated carbon for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$171,600, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$171,600 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$514,800.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$42,900 is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Approved Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining nine months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon the available funding in future budgets.

**Fiscal Note:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**For More Information:** Stephen Aden, Supervising Senior Buyer, 974-2021.

**Additional Backup Material**  
(click to open)  
 CENTRAL MINERALS BID  
TAB 092208

**Purchasing Language:** Lowest bid of five bids received.

**MBE/WBE:** This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract will provide the Austin Water Utility with a readily available supply of powdered activated carbon on an as needed basis. Powdered activated carbon is a non-toxic water treatment chemical used to control taste and odor in treated tap water. This chemical has been approved by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

The Austin Water Utility stores limited amounts of this chemical at each of the City's water treatment plants. This contract will ensure that an adequate amount of powdered activated carbon is on hand so that the Utility can continue to provide high quality drinking water to its customers.

MBE/WBE sent: 1/0 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Ten solicitations were issued, including one MBE. There were no WBEs listed under this commodity. Five bids were received with no response from the MBE. Two "No Bids" were

received.

c. The pricing offered represents a 6% increase to the last purchase made May 2003.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

a. Low bidder.

b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Water Utility's recommended award.

c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.

**BID TABULATION  
IFB No. SA06100069  
(260 Tons)**

<b><u>VENDOR</u></b>	<b><u>UNIT COST</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL COST</u></b>
<b>Central Minerals Corp Indialantic, FL</b>	<b>\$660.00</b>	<b>\$171,600.00</b>
<b>F2 Industries Nashville, TN</b>	<b>\$678.00</b>	<b>\$176,280.00</b>
<b>Cal Pacific Carbon Fields Landing, CA</b>	<b>\$700.00</b>	<b>\$182,000.00</b>
<b>Envirotrol Inc. Sewickley, PA</b>	<b>\$730.00</b>	<b>\$189,800.00</b>
<b>Norit Americas Inc. Marshall, TX</b>	<b>\$790.00</b>	<b>\$205,400.00</b>